

## PRESIDENT HEARS SUFFRAGE PLEA; ENVOYS REJOICE

No Talk of State Rights  
After He Sees Petition  
of 4,000,000 Voters.

## PAGEANT STARTS CONGRESS MOVE

Sutherland and Mondell Greet  
Suffragists in a Blaze of  
Color at Capitol Steps.

By EMMA BUGBEE.

Washington, Dec. 6.—President Wilson looked on the petition of 4,000,000 women voters to-day and decided that suffrage was a matter "worthy of his most serious consideration." Suffragists hailed this statement as one more step forward in the conversion of Woodrow Wilson to their cause, because always before this he had told them he could do nothing about it, since it was a matter for the states. He said nothing about state rights to-day.

"Oh, he's wiggling along," said Mrs. John Winters Brannan, cheerfully, as the women stood rejoicing on the lawn in front of the White House after the reception.

No one seemed particularly depressed by the act that President Wilson refused to incorporate their prayers into his annual message to Congress on the ground that it was already completed.

The celebrated suffrage petition, 18,000 feet long and bearing 500,000 names of voters in the Western states, which was brought across the continent in an automobile by Mrs. Sara Bard Field, of Oregon, and Miss Frances Jolliffe, of California, was lost between here and Wilmington, Del., by the express company intrusted with the last few miles of its long journey.

The women had another petition with them, however, and although less pretentious, it was presented to Representative Mondell, Republican, of Wyoming, on the steps of the Capitol.

Pageantry Ends Pilgrimage.

The envoys who had brought the famous petition, with the prayers and threats of 4,000,000 women 5,000 miles declared that they felt repaid for all their trouble. Their pilgrimage ended with pomp worthy so exalted a mission.

From the Capitol steps they took a triumphant course, gleaming with purple and gold, and jubilant with brass bands, down Pennsylvania Avenue to the White House. The petition was wound in a great, fat scroll around a long, golden pole carried by women from New Jersey, the President's own state.

In the East Room they furled their banners and put all their loving greetings in their muffs. They were stirred almost to religious fervor.

The President entered quickly from a side door, and smiled as he saw the circle of earnest faces looking into his. Then Miss Anne Martin, of Nevada, stepped forward and introduced Miss Jolliffe, first of the Western envoys.

"Mr. President, I speak as a Democrat," said Miss Jolliffe. "I worked for you and talked for you in 1912. This is the first request I have made of the Democratic administration—that you put this matter of justice to women ahead of all other political considerations. We want to help you, but you must first help us. There will be a fund of gratitude from 4,000,000 women waiting for the political party which frees our enslaved sisters."

Mrs. Sara Bard Field reminded the President that the greatest of men sometimes changed their minds, and to prove it she quoted from his own experience with the question of preparedness. Mr. Wilson smiled.

"Miss Martin and ladies," he said, stepping forward to look at the petition a second, "I did not come here anticipating the necessity of making an address of any kind. As you have just heard, I hope it is true that I am not a man set stiffly beyond the possibility

of learning. I hope that I shall continue to be a learner as long as I live. "I can only say to you this afternoon that nothing could be more impressive than the presentation of such a request in such numbers and backed by such influences as undoubtedly stand back of you. Unhappily, it is too late for me to consider what is to go into my message, because that went out to the newspapers a week ago; and I have the habit—perhaps the habit of the teacher—of confining my utterances to one subject at a time, for fear that two subjects might compete with one another for prominence.

Too Late for Message.

"I have felt obliged in the present posture of affairs to devote my message to one subject, and am, therefore, sorry to say that it is too late to take under consideration your request that I embody this in my message. All I can say, with regard to what you are urging at present, is this:

"I hope I shall have an open mind, and I shall certainly take the greatest pleasure in conferring in the most serious way with my colleagues at the other end of the city with regard to what is the right thing to do at the time concerning this great matter. I am always restrained, as some of you will remember, by the consciousness that I must speak for others as well as for myself so long as I occupy my present office, and, therefore, I do not like to speak for others until I consult others and see what I am justified in saying."

"This visit of yours will remain in my mind not only as a delightful compliment, but also as a very impressive thing, which undoubtedly will make it necessary for all of us to consider very carefully what it is right for us to do. "I should be glad to shake hands with you all."

By this gallant invitation President Wilson gave the women something they never had before in a Presidential hearing—the chance for the last word. Old hands recalled with glee the fact that at the last hearing the President had turned his back to the women and walked out of the room when they tried to question him. To-day he stood and took it with a smile.

Little Henrietta Lowenberg, of Philadelphia, was the only woman present who got a definite promise from the President. Henrietta was eight years old to-day, and told him so. She marched past and dropped him a pretty little curtsey before she piped up:

She Will Have Peace and Votes.

"Mr. President, I am eight years old to-day, and for a present I want peace and votes."

"All right, little girl, you shall have them," laughed Mr. Wilson.

Only Mrs. Harriot Stanton Blatch came away from the East Room shaking her head in disappointment.

"Ah, no, he didn't listen to us," she said. "He acted to me just like any other man in love. What does he care? There is only one woman in the world for him."

Miss Alice Paul, chairman of the Congressional Union, who never before came out of the White House wholly satisfied with her answer, said to-day that the President had swept aside the last obstacle which he previously had placed in the way of the Federal amendment.

The arrival of the envoys at the Capitol was dramatic. From the top of the east steps the members of Congress looked down on a street flashing with purple and gold. A grimy little automobile, laden with suitcases, waded up. From it jumped Mrs. Sara Bard Field and threw a kiss to the Capitol. Her long pilgrimage was ended. Then she ran up the steps and shook hands jubilantly with Mrs. John Rogers, Dr. Cora Smith King and Mrs. O. H. Belmont, members of the reception committee.

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## GARRISON GUILTY AS ISSUE DODGER, TAFT DECLARES

"Special Pleading," Ex-President Calls Defence of Philippine Conditions.

## POINTS OUT MANY PARTISAN MOVES

Efficient Men Removed, He Says, to Make Way for Friends of Democrats.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)

New Haven, Dec. 6.—Mr. Taft replied to-night to Secretary Garrison's retort to the ex-President's attack on the Harrison regime in the Philippines.

"Special pleading," Mr. Taft calls the argument advanced by the Secretary in refutation of the ex-President's charge that the government service in the Philippines had become demoralized through the "blind and foolish policy" of the administration.

"Mr. Garrison's defence of the Harrison regime in the islands when the truth permeates the local atmosphere will only awaken ridicule and surprise that he could so deceive himself," says Mr. Taft.

Then the ex-President goes on in great detail and at great length to prove his charges of "blind partisanship." He takes up the cases of many men who were dismissed by the Harrison regime and attempts to show that the removals were made solely to provide places for the "faithful."

Civil servants who were efficient, says Mr. Taft, were ousted because Democrats, or Filipinos who were friends of the administration, had to be appeased. As an instance he cites the case of a Filipino named Villamor who had great influence in understanding and speaking English and was, nevertheless, appointed president of the University of the Philippines.

Show Partisanship.

The ex-President says: "There has been no partisanship in the policy, it is said. Harrison is not a party man. He is a party man, and I accept the denial, that he said in the public press at Honolulu that he took a sardonic pleasure in removing Republicans. Let his first act when he reached the islands was to force the resignation of Colonel H. B. McCoy, who had served the government since 1898 first as a soldier, and then in various positions in the civil service until he won his way to be Collector of Customs, the highest fiscal position in the islands, short of membership in the commission. He was most efficient."

No charge is made against him of inefficiency or disloyalty. He was removed because he held the largely nominal position of the Commissioner of the Philippine Islands. There were no elections in the islands for him to take an interest in. There was no opportunity to become an offensive partisan or to neglect his office in bringing the monster petition across the continent. Senator Sutherland and Representative Mondell welcomed them all to the Capitol. By the time these greetings were over, the tableau had formed on the steps before them.

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Lauds Men and Says Suffrage Never Will Win, in Accepting Presidency.

"The suffragists are covering the humiliation of defeat by counting the votes they received in place of the vote they expected to receive and pretending to be satisfied with them," said Miss Alice Hill Chittenden yesterday in accepting reelection as president of the New York State Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage.

"We were confident before election," continued the anti-leader, "that woman suffrage would be defeated in the four states where it was to be voted on. There is no reason to believe it ever will be adopted in any election. They exerted every effort, laudable and otherwise, to manufacture public sentiment for suffrage."

Miss Chittenden has faith in the men who kept woman in her place, and "if there should be another referendum in New York within a few years suffrage will be defeated by even a larger majority, because the public is now awake to the fallacy of many of the theories upon which the plea for woman suffrage is based."

Other officers elected were: Mrs. John A. Church, treasurer; Miss Elizabeth F. Gallaudet, secretary; and Mrs. Arthur M. Dodge, Mrs. Fritz Achelis, Miss Eleanor G. Hewitt and Mrs. George Douglas Miller, vice-presidents.

Among those present were Mrs. William Barclay Parsons, Mrs. Hamilton Fish Keen, Mrs. Nelson H. Henry, Mrs. K. B. Lapham, Mrs. W. Allen Bartlett, Mrs. Henry Seligman, Miss Anne Sands, Mrs. Herbert L. Satterlee, Mrs. George W. Wickham, Mrs. Robert Sturgis, Mrs. Harold de Rastoff and Mrs. William G. Gulliver.

Commissioner Directed to Reinstate Her or Defend Dismissal.

Justice Erlanger decided yesterday that Mrs. Mary C. Dunphy, who was removed as superintendent of the school and hospital on Randall's Island by Commissioner Kingsbury, had offered sufficient allegations in her effort to reinstate to defend her dismissal before a jury. Justice Erlanger said:

"I have no doubt that the Commissioner's power was not absolute, but that it was conditional upon a fair exercise of his judgment, in good faith, after hearing the explanation of the employee, offered upon some reasonable notice, in response to charges. From the facts alleged, as distinguished from mere conclusions of bad faith, the inference is permissible that the hearing of the petitioner's explanation was no more than a formal act on the part of the Commissioner or his deputy. Whether or not the facts as alleged are true does not affect the motion."

T. R.'S NAME REMOVED

Taken from Nebraska Primary Ballot at His Request.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 6.—Secretary of State Pool received a letter to-day from Colonel Theodore Roosevelt asking that the latter's name be taken from the Nebraska primary ballot as a Republican candidate for President.

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## HOW CHRISTIAN SCIENCE HEALS

Bliss Knapp, in Lecture at Second Church, Tells of Method.

## ILLNESS AN ERROR PROVED BY JESUS

Despite 4,000 Years of Medicine, Speaker Asserts, Diseases Have Increased.

"Jesus healed physical disease on the basis that the truth makes free," said Bliss Knapp in a lecture on Christian Science at the Second Church of Christ, Scientist, last night. "Four thousand years of medicine," he continued, "has endeavored to force the conclusion that disease is purely physical, and that it requires a physical remedy. The result is that diseases have actually multiplied."

"Jesus proved that sickness, disease and fear are the errors and not the truths of being, and they can be healed by a mental process. Their basis being wholly material and matter being mortal error, the truth of God dispels those errors just as light dispels darkness, just as the understanding that two and two are four dispels any denial of that fact."

"And when one understands that truth he does not have to slip up nights to be certain of it in the morning. Jesus so understood the nature of God as truth that he could make it just as consciously apparent to the man with the withered hand, and that diseased condition was wiped out by that process just as effectually as one could take a sponge and wipe out the wrong figures on the blackboard."

"It is generally recognized that certain nervous disorders are mental; for, though the person may be sick almost to distraction, examination may disclose no diseased organ, tissue or nerve. He may have apparent physical ailments, such as that trinity of disorders known as dyspepsia, heart palpitation and insomnia; but an examination discloses no organic disease."

"The patient's troubles are actually unreal, in the sense that they have no physical cause. But to the patient they are decidedly real, in the sense that he feels them constantly and cannot free himself from them."

"Though a patient may be perfectly sane while suffering from some nervous ailment, his belief must be changed before he can experience his healing. That is never brought about by imagining himself well."

"Such primitive emotions as fear and anger, which are common to men and beasts, are said to produce depression and poisonous conditions. The thought of guilt is said to be even more deleterious."

"The Christian Scientist, on the other hand, employs only the spiritual Mind, which transcends brain or matter. That Mind is never transmitted through suggestion; because it is everywhere present, and its government prevails wherever it is most needed by the patient. We simply have to understand the ever-presence and activity of that truth for the patient, and the truth makes free. The Scripture says that

"Fear hath torment," but "perfect love casteth out fear."

"There is no remedy known to the human consciousness for fear of any sort, save alone divine love. It is that understanding of the divine Mind, whose nature is Love, that gives to the Christian Scientist the spiritual power to wipe out the fear of consumption and to remove its physical effects. It is on that basis that Christian Science heals all manner of disease."

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It Brings Highest Price at Sale of T. F. Crowley, Collector.

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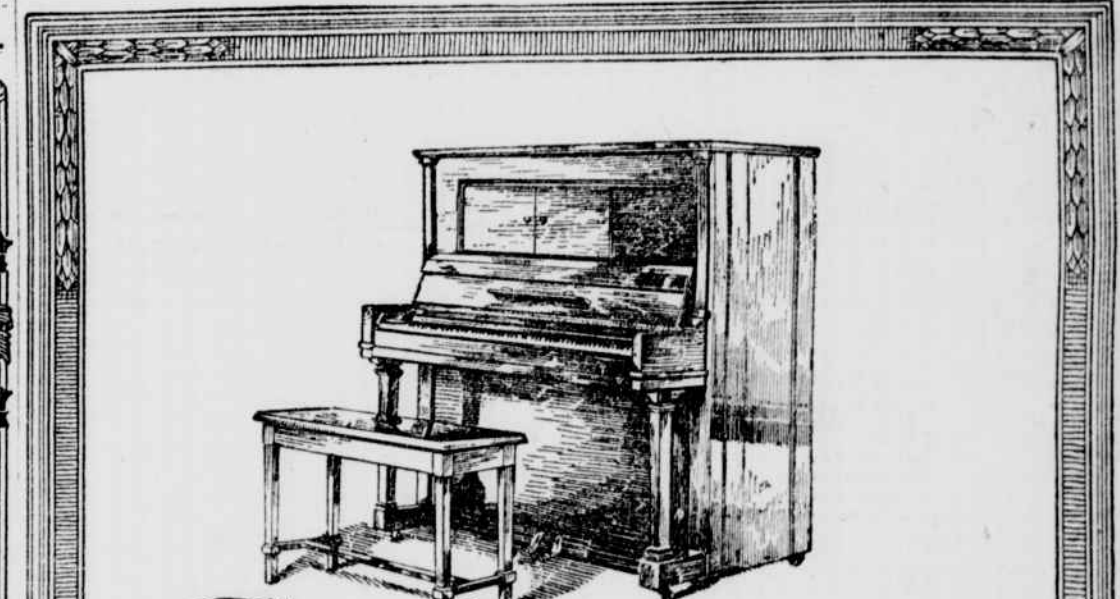
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